| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | Hostel for SC Boys | 408.00 | - |
| 3 | Upgradation of merit of SC students | 028.20 | - |
| 4 | Coaching and Allied Assistance for SCs. OBCs and Minorities | 007.63 | - |
| 5. | Scheme of grant-in-aid to voluntary organizations working for scheduled castes | 326.31 | 27.06 |
| 6. | Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan | 2360.90 | 1147.57 |
| 7. | PCR and Atrocities | 780.165 | 170.00 |
| 8. | National Scheduled Caste Finance and Development Corp. (NSFDC) | 2454.30 | |
| 9. | Post Metric Scholarship | 5142.22 | 1348.00 |
| | Scheme for Welfare of STs | | |
| 1. | Post Metric Scholarship | 1178.00 | 144.75 |
| 2. | Ashram School | 400.00 | - |
| 3. | Boys/Girls Hostel | 170.79 | - |
| 4. | Vocational Training Centre (States) | 67.50 | - |
| 5. | Upgradation of Merit | 6.60 | - |
| 6. | Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan (SCA to TSP) | 1242.00 | 686.00 |
| 7. | Grants under Article 275(1) of the Constitution | 1526.87 | 648.02 |
| 8. | Grant-in-aid to voluntary organizations working for the Scheduled Tribes | 241.68 | 61.23 |
| 9. | Vocational Training in Tribal Areas (NGOs) | 27.96 | 5.14 |
| 10. | Coaching and Allied | 10.00 | - |
| 11. | Development of Primitive Tribal Groups (PTGs) | 3132.00 | - |
| 12. | GIA to STDCCs for MFP operation | 57.00 | - |

**Vacant posts in the National Commission for Backward Classes**

870. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that two out of the four posts are lying vacant in the National Commission for Backward Classes for the last several months;

(b) if so, what is preventing Government to fill up those posts; and

(c) by when the vacant posts are expected to be filled up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) to (c) National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC) has five Members including the Member-Secretary. While one post of Member fell vacant due to demise of the incumbent on 31st May, 2007, the post of Member-Secretary has fallen vacant on 8th August, 2007. It is not possible to indicate a time-frame for filling up the vacancies.

**Scholarships for SC students**

871. KUMARI NIRMALA DESHPANDE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of special scholarships for higher studies to SC students which are to be sanctioned; and

(b) the number of students benefited by the scheme during the last three years, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) and (b) A statement showing the State-wise number of students covered under the Scheme of Post Matric Scholarship for the last three financial years is at Statement-I *(See* below). In respect of other Schemes, the information is as under:

**(i) Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship:**

This Scheme was started from the year 2005-06. This is implemented by University Grants Commission (UGC). A statement showing number of State-wise Fellowships awarded by UGC for the year 2005-06 and 2006-07 is given as Statement-II *(See* below).

**(ii) National Overseas Scholarship for higher studies abroad:**

The number of awardees selected under the Scheme for the last three years, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 are 20, 20 and 15 respectively.

***Statement-I***

*State-wise number of students covered under the scheme of Post Matric Scholarship*

| SL No. | Name of State/UT | Number of beneficiaries covered during | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 2004-05 | 2005-06 | 2006-07 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 346495 | 377529 | 414537 |
| 2 | Assam | 23370 | 177691 | 21600 |
| 3 | Bihar | 37187 | 37425 | 37425 |